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CITY NOTES. Pay your gas bills today and save the discount.

Today the employees of the Jermyn and Greenwood companies at Taylor will be paid for February.

Next Monday is the last day for filing appeals with the probate court for the March term of court.

The board of revision of taxes yesterday heard appeals from Sixth and Eighth wards property owners.

The Mulberry street paving contract will be considered Tuesday night at 7 o'clock by the pavements committee of select council.

The Lenten reading of Tompkins' "In Memoriam" which would occur tonight at the Second Presbyterian church will be postponed for one week.

Two suits in assumpsit were yesterday brought against S. G. Kerr, Son & Co., the one by Alex. Crow, Jr., and the other by the Bissell Carpet Sweeper company.

John D. James and Edith Evans, Scranton; Gratian A. Singer and Daisy R. Headley, of Carbondale, were granted marriage licenses by Clerk of the Courts Thomas.

Judge Edwards yesterday appointed Charles Kessler treasurer of Clifton township in place of Anthony Klutz, who refused to accept the office to which he was chosen in February.

The will of Charles Thomas, late of Scranton, was yesterday admitted to probate by Register Hopkins, and letters testamentary granted to Rev. W. F. Davy and Dr. W. W. Jenkins.

There will be a meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the mayor's office of the committee of arrangements for the convention of the Military Order of the Medal of Honor of the United States.

The next regular session of the Methodist Ministerial association of Scranton and vicinity will be held Monday, March 22, at 10:00 a. m., in Elm Park church. Rev. A. F. Chaffee will present a paper on "Shakespeare's Theory of Consensus."

Henry Winkles, former Alderman Millar, yesterday was charged by Lewis Freeman with aggravated assault and battery with intent to kill. The trouble brewed during last February. Winkles was committed to the county jail in default of \$500 bail.

George Mancavitz, a 15-year-old boy who was found at the Lackawanna depot and who said he was driven from home in New York city, is being held at police headquarters to await the result of communications with the Gerry society in New York city.

Alderman O. B. Wright Thursday night issued a warrant for the arrest of Jankel Saravitz, who is charged with assaulting the wife of G. S. Walykowsky. The case is the result of a quarrel. Saravitz entered bail in the sum of \$300 for appearance at court. Both live on Penn avenue.

John Baker was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn out before Alderman Millar by his wife, Henrietta Baker, who charges him with non-support. It is alleged that Baker left home last month and has not entered there since. Baker waived a hearing for appearance at court. He was held in \$200 bail. He resides in Green Ridge.

The membership committee of the Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon in Secretary Atherton's office and discussed plans for increasing the membership of the board. Names of desirable men were mentioned and the general committee was subdivided, each division being assigned to look after a number of citizens, who are non-members.

The 8-round bout between Steve Judge, of the Twentieth ward, Scranton, and Michael Kane, of Chokoma, which was to have been fought on March 23 at Webster's rink, Taylor, under the auspices of the Columbian Athletic association, has been postponed until April 1, 1897, in order to give the principals sufficient time to undergo a thorough course of training.

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REESE G. BROOKS TAKES A SEAT He Entered Upon His Duties as a Poor Director Yesterday.

THE CLAIM OF J. A. WOOLSEY & CO. Home Committee Directed to Settle It If They Find the Chapel at the Hillside Has Been Properly Constructed--Claim of the Carbondale Poor District Wiped Out--Other Matters That Occupied the Attention of the Directors.

Reese G. Brooks, who was appointed a member of the poor board to succeed Mrs. Francis B. Swan, yesterday took his seat at a regular meeting of the board. Mr. Brooks was present when the meeting was called to order and presented his certificate of appointment and oath of office, which were read by the secretary and on motion of Director Murphy placed on file. Mr. Brooks was then assigned to the desk used by Mrs. Swan when she was a member of the board. He was also given his place on all committees, which makes him chairman of the home and visitation committees and a member of the committee on rules. Mr. Brooks at once entered with spirit into the work of the board and took an active part in the proceedings of the meeting. His previous experience on the board making him familiar with the duties of his office.

Edward Moon, a director of the Carbondale poor district, was present to have the accounts between the two districts settled. Sixty months ago Mrs. Dawkins, of this city, went to Carbondale and created a sensation by taking poison, which resulted in her death. She was cared for during her illness and afterwards buried by the Carbondale poor authorities, who charged the expense, \$38.40, to the Scranton poor board. The Carbondale poor district now owes the Scranton district \$88 for the care of insane patients, and during Mr. Moon's visit yesterday, both accounts were settled.

Mr. Fuller, of the home committee, read a letter from Architect Amsden which set forth that the chapel at the Hillside home has been completed by J. B. Woolsey & Co., but recommended that \$60 be retained for a time until it is ascertained whether or not certain stains in the plaster on the walls will dry out. The architect's letter was accompanied by one from the contractors agreeing to repair any damage that may be done to the chapel during the year owing to poor workmanship in the construction. There is still due the Woolsey & Co. a balance of \$1,448.68. The home committee was directed to make a thorough examination of the building, and if they find that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner, were authorized to settle with the contractors.

On motion of Director Paine, Rev. Edward Howell, of the West Side, was selected to take charge of the Protestant religious services at the chapel. The money for the payment of the expenses of conducting religious services is to be divided equally between Protestants and Catholics, and they are to have the chapel on alternating Sundays.

The secretary was instructed to indenture Mary Cunningham, an 18-month-old child, whose mother is dead and whose father is in Europe, to Edward Lavelle. The financial committee was directed to confer with Attorney W. K. Tracey and Mr. Johnson in reference to paying the expenses of Mrs. Johnson at the Danville insane asylum.

The quarterly statement of the cost of supporting the indigent insane at the farm was sworn to by the directors and will be forwarded to the state authorities. It shows that there were 218 indigent insane persons in the asylum during the quarter ending Feb. 28 and the total cost of keeping them was \$10,155.13. Of this amount the state pays \$5,166.62. The report shows that in the asylum are indigent insane from Scranton, Blakely, North Luzerne, Ransom, Luzerne county, Monroe county, Susquehanna county, Carbondale, Roaring Brook and Carbondale township poor districts. It was presented by Clerk John F. Williams and is a beautiful piece of pen work.

THE STRIKE OF A MATCH. Plot of a Melodrama in a Spruce Dog Store Last Night.

There was excitement on Spruce street at midnight last night. Some one saw a lighted match in a dog store near the Hotel Jermyn and an alarm was distributed that burglars were in the shop.

While one police officer guarded the door so that the eager culprits could not escape, another went for the proprietor of the place. While he was gone some one relieved himself of an observation to the effect that two boys had climbed through the store transom. When the proprietor came he entered the store and there found Martin Crane, a boy who was employed to look after the store at night.

He was locked out, and having no other way of gaining an entrance into the store, climbed through the transom.

Loan Art Exhibition. The ladies of the Green Ridge library are preparing a very interesting and unique entertainment for the people of Scranton in their Loan Art Collection to be opened next Tuesday evening in the large store room of the board of trade building. Some of the finest works of art in the city are kindly being loaned and with others that come from abroad the collection will be a rare one. The committee desire to announce that they still have some room and can accept some other subjects. People desiring to loan works of art or rare objects can notify the committee or send them to the room Monday forenoon when the committee will be there to receive them. The greatest care will be given to the same. From all reports a very enjoyable evening will be spent at the exhibit. It will be open each afternoon and evening.

The committee are Mrs. Townsend Poore, Mrs. Preston Robinson, Mrs. James Hoyle, Miss Anna Sanderson, Miss Claire Reynolds and W. G. Parke and A. V. Bower.

SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE. Miss Emma Coons, of Clarke's Summit, enrolled a few days ago for the full business course. Miss Joseph Morgan and Messrs. H. A. Smith and E. W. Lemnitz have recently secured situations. J. J. H. Hamilton, esq., lectured before the students yesterday morning on "What Constitutes a Valid Contract." Spring term begins Monday, April 6.

WILKES-BARREANS WANTED IT. Lively Trading for the Lace Factory Real Estate--Other Sales.

Some spice was lent to the sheriff's sale of the real estate of the Scranton Lace Curial Manufacturing company yesterday morning by the presence of John W. Doran, representing the Wilkes-Barre lace factory, who came up with a large bunch of money and a determination to buy in the factory if he could get it at anything like a bargain.

Attorney C. H. Welles, representing Creighton & Burch, the execution creditors, was just as determined that the Wilkes-Barre people should not get control of the works and as a consequence the bidding was \$81,565. Mr. Doran quit at \$60,000. Ex-Sheriff Lewis was also a bidder, but quit early in the fight. Creighton & Burch's judgment amounts to \$75,000.

Other sheriff's sales made yesterday were as follows: Property of Anthony Shevsky, of Archibald, sold to Jermyn Building and Loan association, No. 7, for \$306. Property of W. F. Sandway, Ransom, sold to Walter Briggs, attorney, for \$620. Property of Mary G. Miller, Fifteenth ward, Scranton, sold to A. D. Dean, attorney, for \$45.

Property of George Phillips, Jessup, sold to Michael Hiney, for \$85. Property of A. A. Peckens, Dunmore, to Jeremiah M. Smith for \$300. The balance of the sales adjudged for this week were adjourned until Friday, March 26, at 10 a. m.

TELLS A STRANGE STORY. B. E. Osbourne, of Auburn, N. Y. Says He Was Held Up and Robbed Thursday Night on Spruce Street.

B. E. Osbourne, a commercial traveler, who resides at Auburn, N. Y., says that he was held up at Penn avenue and Spruce street Thursday night at 9 o'clock and relieved of \$45.

That's the substance of his story. There were two men; one of them placed a revolver at his ear and demanded money. The other went through his pockets and extracted therefrom \$45 in bills. Mr. Osbourne made no outcry, he said, because he has a family at Auburn and there was a probability at least of the hammer of that revolver falling and separating him from those who depend on him for support. So he did not resist.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Osbourne says he went to Chief of Police Robbing and in answer to his request that the matter be investigated Chief Robbing, he says, refused and said some things to him that were not nice.

Mr. Osbourne gives his statement of the "hold up" about as follows: He works as salesman for Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root establishment in Binghamton. He arrived in this city Thursday morning and after visiting the hotel on the west side returned to his hotel--the St. Demit. About 9 o'clock he went out to get a lunch and being a stranger here, he says, entered the White house, a place conducted by Edward Jifkins. Mr. Osbourne called for a hot lunch and for a few minutes he sat at a table between two men. These men, says Mr. Osbourne, expressed themselves as desirous of eating and to the three were directed by the bartender to a rear room. Mr. Osbourne went back there and found not a hot lunch but a number of women of questionable appearance. He left the place and the two acquaintances of the table accompanied him.

When they reached the corner of Penn and Spruce, just a few yards down Spruce one of the men pushed a revolver before his face. The other took the money. They then ran away.

A Tribune reporter went to the "White" house last evening to inquire into the case. "Bob" Davis, of police fame, was seated at one table. In that same rear room there were four or five women with partially filled glasses before them. The bartender was questioned concerning the case. He said: "Don't know anything about it; there's a lot of people getting too fresh around here. These newspapers are too bad; some one will be 'soaked' yet, if they don't be careful."

The White house was granted a license last week but in handing down the license Judge Archibald warned Proprietor Jifkins that he would have to conduct a better place.

FAVOR ISSUING BONDS. Remedy Suggested by Finance Committee of Board of Control.

If the present school tax rate of 12 mills isn't increased the board of control will be confronted with a troublesome question of finance. About \$90,000 is involved in the contractors' proposals to erect three new buildings and one addition, now before the building committee.

Last night the building and finance committees met, the former to consider the bids and the latter to ponder over the low bids of finances and suggest a remedy. Neither committee reached a conclusion.

Nearly all members admit the necessity of the proposed new No. 5 building in the Eighth ward, No. 15 in the Twentieth, No. 23 in the Thirteenth and the addition to No. 29 in the First. The schools are now overcrowded.

Rather than increase the 12-mill rate, the finance committee favor an issue of bonds to the extent of \$100,000. They argue that the interest on the bonds will, at the present increase in attendance now, amount to no more than rent and that now is no time to burden taxpayers with an increased tax.

On Monday the committee will meet again and probably prepare a report for that night's stated meeting of the board.

C. V. Konecny. Scranton's favorite hair dresser and artist will retire from business in this city April 1st. Until that date all work will be done at greatly reduced prices. Every article in the store will be sold at such low prices as will insure a special clearance of the entire stock by April 1st. This will be a rare opportunity to lay in a supply of toilet articles, switches, etc.; also the only opportunity to have wigs, switches and front pieces at prices that cannot be equalled again. As an artist in this section of the country, few to excel him anywhere. He closes his business here for a location in a larger city. All orders will be executed promptly and for cash only.

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Every disheartened sick person and every man or woman who has lost faith in the remedies he or she has tried because none of them has done any good--every one who is sick ought to be cheered up and filled with new hope and determination by the letter written by Rev. William T. Bailey, pastor of the Curtis Bay church, the most influential church in South Baltimore.

On March 31, 1896, the Baltimore Sun, under display headlines, published the following news of Rev. Mr. Bailey's affliction:

"Rev. Wm. T. Bailey, pastor of the Curtis Bay Baptist church, was paralyzed in the tongue while preaching Sunday night, and lost the power of speech. The congregation was at once dismissed, and Dr. -- was called. He said Mr. Bailey was suffering from a severe attack of nervous prostration caused by hard study and overwork, and that he must have rest and quiet."

The whole city was shocked. The papers soon began to record an improvement. On April 12, 1896, the following open letter was addressed to the proprietors of Paine's celery compound:

South Baltimore, Md., April 13, 1896. Messrs. Wells, Richardson & Co., Gentlemen:--I was taken very ill preaching Easter Sunday night. My doctor could not help me, so I discharged him and began to use Paine's celery compound with crushing effect. I will not hesitate to say that it is the best medicine in the world. I am, Fraternally, William T. Bailey.

Later in the year the proprietors of this wonderful remedy received still another letter from Dr. Bailey, as follows: Gentlemen:--I propose to do what I can to let people know of your Paine's celery compound, the medicine that has done me so much good. I shall in my own way, in speaking of my rapid and great improvement from the pulpit, give as is justly due, tribute to Paine's celery compound. I married, six years ago, Miss Lillie B. Dunning, a lady well known in social life, the niece of Capt. Robert F. Lewis, U. S. navy. During the whole six years she has been an invalid, suffering from hysteria, laughing, crying, screaming, so that she could be heard for squares. I have had a great deal of trouble and expense. Eighteen doctors have, first and last, attended her, and one bottle of Paine's

PRICE OF GAS IS REDUCED. New Schedule Goes Into Effect on April 1 Next.

The Scranton Gas and Water company and the Hyde Park Gas and Water company announce that on and after April 1 the price of gas will be \$1.25 per thousand cubic feet. This price will also be subject to the following discounts: Five per cent. upon all bills where the consumption for the month amounts to less than \$25; ten per cent. upon all bills where the consumption amounts to \$25 and upwards, provided the bill is paid on or before the 20th of the month on which the bill is presented.

Sawyer's Millinery Upside Down.

Things are topsy-turvy now, but think of the daintiness and convenience later on. In order to emphasize the fact we will make prices extra special on what remains of our winter millinery. If you are interested in saving money, come this week and select any one of 25 trimmed hats for the small sum of \$1.00 Each.

Not one-half what the materials are worth. Watch the papers for announcement of our Grand Spring Opening next week.

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DISPOSING OF MAIL BOXES. Several Agents Are Now at Work in This City.

For several days agents have been going from house to house in this city disposing of mail boxes, or at least purporting to do so. They told those they called on that they were employed by the United States Standard Letter Box Supply company, and asked for 25 cents to lease a mail box to them for five years.

They reinforced their argument as to the necessity of a mail box at every house by presenting a circular which contained excerpts from the postal laws that seem to make it compulsory on housekeepers to provide boxes for the reception of mail matter. The circular also contained some statements about the regulations with reference to carriers leaving mail matter where boxes are not provided, which are wide of the truth.

INSPECTION OF COMPANY D. Major Millar Finishes His Work with the Thirteenth Regiment.

Company D, the leading company in the leading regiment, Thirteenth, in the leading brigade, Third, of the state of Pennsylvania, passed through the inspection ordeal last evening at the armory under the eye of Major W. S. Millar. Captain Fremont Stokes and his men gave a most excellent performance. It was the last company in the Thirteenth to be inspected. There was a large attendance of spectators.

Major Millar leaves today for Harrisburg, where he will inspect the Eighth regiment. There is a generally joyous feeling among the soldier folk over the news that the National Guard of Pennsylvania will attend the unveiling of the Grant tomb at New York city sometime in April.

INJURED IN THE CAR SHOPS. Car Wheel Fell on the Leg of John Smith.

John Smith, aged 33 years, was injured at the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western car shops yesterday morning. A heavy car wheel fell on his leg, badly crushing the member. He was taken to the Moses Taylor hospital.

The physicians do not think amputation will be necessary.

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